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BATTERY MANAGEMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 1998, please amend the application as follows.

Add the following new claim:

-30. A battery management apparatus for a patient worn portable heart monitor and therapy device, the battery management apparatus comprising:

a. a base station connectable to said portable heart monitor and therapy device;

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